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July 24, 2001

Director of the U.S. of Patent and Trademark Office Box Patent Application Washington, D.C. 20231

Re:

Utility Patent Application Transmittal

Inventor(s): Thomas G. Rehberger and John P. O'Neill

Title: Direct-Fed Microbial Assignee: AgTech Products, Inc.

USPTO Customer Account No.: 23598

Attorney Docket No.: 362.003

Dear Sir:

Enclosed is our check in the amount of \$695.00 in payment of the government filing fee for the enclosed United States patent application, which application includes 35 pages of specification, 4 pages of Bibliography, 40 claims on 7 sheets, 10 Drawings on 10 sheets, and an Abstract of the Disclosure. An *unexecuted* Declaration and an *unexecuted* Assignment is also enclosed. An executed Declaration and Assignment will be filed at a later date along with the late filing surcharge and Assignment recordation fee. A Fee Transmittal Form PTO/SB/17 (11/00) is also enclosed.

Applicant is a small entity within the meaning of 37 CFR $\S\S$ 1.9 and 1.27 and hereby claims small entity status.

I hereby request that the attached application **NOT** be published under 35 U.S.C 122(b). An executed Request and Certification under 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i) is also enclosed.

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Respectfully submitted,

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X Applicant claims small entity status See 37 CJR 1 27		130	139	130	Non-English specification				
2. X Payment Enclosed:	147	2,520	147	2,520	For filing a request for ex parte reexamination				
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1. BASIC FILING FEE	115	110	215	55	Extension for reply within first month				
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106 320 206 160 Design filing fee	128	1,890	228	945	Extension for reply within fifth month				
107 490 207 245 Plant filing fee	119	310	219	155	Notice of Appeal				
108 710 208 355 Reissue filing fee	120	310	220	155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal				
114 150 214 75 Provisional filing fee	121	270	221	135	Request for oral hearing				
	138	1,510	138	1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding				
SUBTOTAL (1) (\$355)	140	110	240	55	Petition to revive – unavoidable				
2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES	141	1,240	241	620	Petition to revive – unintentional				
Fee from Extra Claims Below Fee Paid	142	1,240	242	620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)				
Total Claims 40 -20**= 20 x 9 = 180	143	440	243	220	Design issue fee				
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103 18 203 9 Claims in excess of 20	581	40	581	40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)				
102 80 202 40 Independent claims in excess of 3	146	710	246	355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))				
104 270 204 135 Multiple dependent claim, if not paid		710	249	355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))				
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In re application of

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For:

Direct-Fed Microbial

REQUEST AND CERTIFICATION UNDER 35 U.S.C. 122(b)(2)(B)(i)

Director of the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

I hereby certify that the invention disclosed in the attached application has not and will not be the subject of an application filed in another country, or under a multilateral agreement, that requires publication at eighteen months after filing. I hereby request that the attached application not be published under 35 U.S.C 122(b).

Respectfully submitted,

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Dated: July 24, 2001

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